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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to Examination, please amend the application as follows. In all instances, the words "scalable interface" are amended to read "scalable infrastructure". Additional information has been inserted in the "Related Application Data" and "Cross Reference to Related Applications" sections of the Specification. Additional information regarding the serial numbers and filing dates of the provisional and related applications has been inserted.

In the Specification

Please replace the section titled "RELATED APPLICATION DATA," page 1, line 7, with the following:

RELATED APPLICATION DATA

This application is a continuation of, and claims priority to, US Provisional Patent Application 60/223,824 filed August 8, 2000.